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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:

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For:

Oxazoline Surfactant Anode Additive for Alkaline

**Electrochemical Cells** 

Group Art Unit:

1745

Examiner:

Gregg Cantelmo

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the March 18, 2004 Office Action in the above-identified case, Applicants request that the following remarks be entered.

## **REMARKS**

While neither agreeing nor acquiescing with the Examiner's remarks in the March 18, 2004 Office Action, Applicants have chosen to file a continuation application. That continuation application is filed today so as to be filed before the

expiration of the six month time period under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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